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Dear Parents and Carers

You may have seen that the weather warning for our area has now moved to red. I am therefore writing to update you on our arrangements for the rest of this week.

Year 7

There is no change to what has already been communicated. Students are in school tomorrow until 12.15pm and all day Friday.

Year 8

Year 8 students will be in school tomorrow until 12.15pm.

The Thorpe Park trip on Friday is still going ahead as planned. Mr Gorman has spoken to the staff at the Park today and they intend to open as normal, under the amber weather warning on Friday. All students **MUST bring a hat, water bottle and suncream with them. Staff will check they have all of these items and if they do not, they will not be allowed on the coach.** Thorpe Park have stated that they have plenty of water refilling stations and there is factor 50 suncream available there too for free; there is also plenty of shade.

We have been in touch with the staff on the French trip and they are making modifications to their schedule to avoid the height of the heat and are being very well looked after by the tour reps. The staff are extremely impressed with how well the students have been behaving and have been excellent ambassadors for the school.

Year 9

Those students on camp will be returning home this evening due to the weather warning moving to red. They will be in school tomorrow until 12.15pm and the staff who they were with on camp will supervise them completing activities in school. Further information about this will be communicated directly to parents and carers of the students on camp.

The rest of Year 9 will continue as already communicated; they will be in school tomorrow until 12.15pm and all day on Friday.



Community Unity Opportunity



Year 10

Due to the rising temperature after midday in the hall, we are going to change the exam timetable for Year 10. They will sit the RE exam tomorrow at 9.00am but will be allowed to go home immediately after that. If they need to wait to get the bus home with the rest of the students at 12.15pm then we can find them a cool place to wait.

We will reschedule the Science exams for next academic year. We will let you know any amended dates for this in due course. Students will now focus on their Required Practicals as per exam board guidance.

We intend to go back to the published exam timetable on Friday as the temperature is due to go down, this also includes the Work Experience assembly for Year 10 at 9.00am in the hall.

Well done to all students, their behaviour has been exemplary this week while they have been coping with such extreme heat.

At time of writing, we intend to open as normal on Friday for the whole school day. If this changes, we will communicate this to you.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "ABonnington". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped 'A' and 'B'.

Mrs A Bonnington
Head of School